

**Belarus Parliamentary Election:** Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration of S. Con. Res. 153, expressing the sense of Congress with respect to the parliamentary elections held in Belarus on October 15, 2000, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S11013**

**James Guelff Body Armor Act:** Senate passed S. 783, to limit access to body armor by violent felons and to facilitate the donation of Federal surplus body armor to State and local law enforcement agencies, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S11013–14**

**Celebrating James Madison's Birth/Contributions:** Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 396, celebrating the birth of James Madison and his contributions to the Nation. **Pages S11014–15**

**Foreign Operations Appropriations Conference Report:** By 65 yeas to 27 nays (Vote No. 280), Senate agreed to the conference report on H.R. 4811, making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S10972–84**

**Airport Security Improvement Act:** Senate concurred in the amendment of the House to S. 2440, to amend title 49, United States Code, to improve airport security, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S11007–09**

**Fisheries Survey Vessel Authorization Act:** Senate concurred in the amendment of the House to the Senate amendment to H.R. 1651, to amend the Fishermen's Protective Act of 1967 to extend the period during which reimbursement may be provided to owners of United States fishing vessels for costs incurred when such a vessel is seized and detained by a foreign country, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S11019**

#### **Appointment:**

**Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission:** The Chair, on behalf of the Majority Leader, pursuant to Public Law 106–173, announced the following appointments to the Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission: Senator Bunning, and Dr. Gabor S. Boritt, of Pennsylvania. **Page S11009**

**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

James A. Dorskind, of California, to be General Counsel of the Department of Commerce.

Lois N. Epstein, of New York, to be a Member of the Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board for a term of five years.

Kenneth Lee Smith, of Arkansas, to be Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife, Department of the Interior.

George Darden, of Georgia, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation for a term expiring December 17, 2003. (Reappointment)

George Darden, of Georgia, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation for the remainder of the term expiring December 17, 2000.

Maria Otero, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the United States Institute of Peace for a term expiring January 19, 2003. **Page S11025**

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**Amendments Submitted:** **Pages S11006–07**

**Additional Statements:** **Pages S10996–97**

**Record Votes:** Four record votes were taken today. (Total—283) **Pages S10984–86**

**Recess:** Senate convened at 11:01 a.m., and recessed at 8:23 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, October 26, 2000. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S11020.)

## **Committee Meetings**

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### **U.S.S. COLE ATTACK**

**Committee on Armed Services:** Committee concluded open and closed hearings to examine issues related to the attack on the U.S.S. *Cole* in Yemen, after receiving testimony from Walter B. Slocombe, Under Secretary of Defense for Policy; Edward S. Walker, Jr., Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern Affairs; Gen. Tommy R. Franks, USA, Commander-in-Chief, U.S. Central Command; and an official of the Intelligence Community.

### **GORE/CHERNOMYRDIN DIPLOMACY**

**Committee on Foreign Relations:** Subcommittee on European Affairs and the Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs concluded open and closed joint hearings to examine issues related to allegations made of Vice President Gore and former

Russian Prime Minister Victor Chernomyrdin diplomacy regarding alleged Russian weapons sales to Iran, after receiving testimony from John P. Barker, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Nonproliferation Controls, Joseph M. DeThomas, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Regional Nonproliferation, Newell L.

Highsmith, Attorney Adviser, Office of Legal Adviser for Political Military Affairs, and Robert E. Dalton, Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Office of Legal Adviser, all of the Department of State.

## House of Representatives

### *Chamber Action*

**Bills Introduced:** 25 public bills, H.R. 5537–5561; and 7 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 436–437 and H. Res. 650–654, were introduced. **Pages H11193–94**

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows.

H.R. 1552, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2000 and fiscal year 2001 for the Marine Research and related environmental research and development program activities of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and the National Science Foundation, amended (H. Rept. 106–987, Pt. 2);

H.R. 3112, to amend the Colorado Ute Indian Water Rights Settlement Act to provide for a final settlement of the claims of the Colorado Ute Indian Tribes, amended (H. Rept. 106–1001);

H.R. 1798, to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide additional support for and to expand clinical research programs (H. Rept. 106–1002);

H.R. 1689, to prohibit States from imposing restrictions on the operation of motor vehicles providing limousine service between a place in a State and a place in another State, amended (H. Rept. 106–1003, Pt. 1);

Filed on Oct. 26 (Legislative day of Oct. 25), conference report on H.R. 2614, to amend the Small Business Investment Act to make improvements to the certified development company program (H. Rept. 106–1004);

Filed on Oct. 26 (Legislative day of Oct. 25), conference report on H.R. 4942, making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against the revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001 (H. Rept. 106–1005).

Filed on Oct. 26 (Legislative day of Oct. 25), H. Res. 651, providing for consideration of motions to suspend the rules (H. Rept. 106–1006);

Filed on Oct. 26 (Legislative day of Oct. 25), H. Res. 652, waiving points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 2614 to amend the Small Business Investment Act to make im-

provements to the certified development company program (H. Rept. 106–1007);

Filed on Oct. 26 (Legislative day of Oct. 25), H. Res. 653, waiving points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 4942 making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against the revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001 (H. Rept. 106–1008).

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**Speaker Pro Tempore:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Pease to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H10811**

**Guest Chaplain:** The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, the Rev. Dr. Ronald F. Christian of Fairfax, Virginia. **Page H10811**

**Journal:** Agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal of Tuesday, Oct. 24 by a yea and nay vote of 332 yeas to 51 nays, Roll No. 544.

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### **Foreign Operations Appropriations Conference**

**Report:** The House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 4811, making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001 by a yea and nay vote of 307 yeas to 101 nays, Roll No. 546.

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Agreed to H. Res. 647, the rule that waived points of order against the conference report by voice vote. Earlier, agreed to order the previous question by of 210 yeas to 197 nays, Roll No. 545.

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**Suspensions:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures that were debated on Tuesday, Oct. 24:

**Older Americans Act Amendments:** H.R. 782, amended, to amend the Older Americans Act of 1965 to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2000 through 2003 (passed by a yea and nay vote of 405 yeas to 2 nays, Roll No. 547). Agreed to amend the title;

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